

Meth Awareness Day Facts

- Methamphetamine is an addictive stimulant that is closely related to amphetamine, but has longer lasting and more toxic effects on the central nervous system. It has a high potential for abuse and addiction.
- According to the 2004 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, nearly 12 million Americans have tried methamphetamine. It is estimated by the Indiana State Police that Meth lab seizures in Indiana may exceed 1,700 this year. Indiana currently ranks third in the country for Meth lab seizures.
- Since 1994, Meth lab seizures in Indiana have risen 3,500%. Meth is estimated to cost the state of Indiana over \$100 million annually.
- The number of adult offenders incarcerated in the Indiana Department of Corrections with dealing or possession of Meth/Cocaine increased by 34% from 2000 to 2004.
- Drug laboratory arrests made (only) by the Indiana State Police increased from 465 arrests in 2001 to 961 in 2003—amounting to a 100% increase in just two years.
- In some parts of the state, nearly 40% of the children in the CHINS (Children in Need of Services) system were removed from Meth houses.
- February 2005—Governor Mitch Daniels develops a State Wide Methamphetamine Task Force
- April 2005—Indiana Department of Correction opened the first Clean Lifestyle Is Freedom Forever (CLIFF) Unit. This is a 204-bed methamphetamine therapeutic community for male offenders located at Miami Correctional Facility.
- Wabash Valley Correctional Facility opened the second CLIFF Unit on June 9th 2005. This is a 200-bed male unit.
- On September 1, 2005, DOC opened the first women's Methamphetamine Therapeutic Community in the country at Rockville Correctional Facility. This CLIFF program is a 100-bed unit.
- On December 1, 2005, a 40-bed CLIFF Unit for juveniles was opened at Logansport Juvenile Correctional Facility.
- There have been 262 adult male, 71 adult female, and 29 juvenile male CLIFF graduates. 245 adult males, 43 adult females, and 29 juvenile males have returned to the community. Initial recidivism for CLIFF graduates is 2.78% compared to general population at 7.85% that were incarcerated and released during the same period of time.